

KIQ #39. What are Peking's objectives toward the countries in East Asia; particularly Thailand, Korea, Vietnam, and Japan?

Consider China's capabilities to project itself into the East and South China Seas.

I. Collection and Production Needs

Collection Target: Information on Chinese leadership *dividing* attitudes and perceptions toward countries in East Asia; particularly relative to PRC military capability to support contingencies in the region:

insurgencies

- The recovery of PRC claimed territories in the South China Sea and Taiwan; *specifically* ~~including~~ *Pratas*.

- Degree of support to insurgencies, especially in Thailand; *(See KIR 44) Also, PRC degree of PRC manipulation of various Chinese communities to influence host* *in peninsula*
~~Any changes in Japan's military posture; and~~ *governments* *in Thailand.*

- The plans and programs of PRC military assistance to North Korea and Vietnam. *PRC attempts to restrain or encourage aggressive policies of these 2 governments.*

II. Organizational Commitments

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B. Production: Largely responsive to collection gains, handled in the regular production vehicles of intelligence producers. However, as interagency or DIA study on PRC naval capabilities in the China Seas area is recommended.

forums, such as the UN, Law of the Sea conferences, and Peking's policies towards the nations of OPEC.

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DIA/DOD has suggested as a collection target: Information on Chinese leadership directives and perceptions with regard to countries in East Asia: particular attention should be paid to PRC military capability to support contingencies in the region--

- The recovery of PRC claimed territories in the South China Sea
- Degree of support to insurgencies, especially in Thailand (see KIQ 49). Also PRC manipulation of overseas Chinese community to influence the Thai Government.

KIQ 40. Will Chinese and Indian relations with respect to the Himalayan States and Pakistan lead toward military confrontation or accommodations?

DIA/DOD has suggested as a target: Information on any changes in the military force postures and readiness on either side of the Sino-Indian border or border states. Including sources or military aid received by any state in the area.